

## COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

## **NEWS RELEASE**

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## SEWAGE SPILL TO SAN DIEGO BAY SIGNS POSTED AT SPANISH LANDING BEACH

An estimated 2,000-gallon sewage spill occurred today at Rosecrans Street and Womble Road in the Naval Training Center. The spill, which was caused by a debris blockage in a sewer main line, started at 10:45 AM today and was stopped at 11:40 AM by City of San Diego Metropolitan Wastewater Department crews. The spill flowed into a storm drain that empties into an arm of San Diego Bay within the Naval Training Center. Signs warning of sewage-contaminated water have been posted at Spanish Landing beach on the south side of Harbor Drive. Signs will remain posted until samples indicate the bay water is safe for swimming. In addition, U.S. Navy and San Diego Unified Port District personnel have been notified to restrict divers from the bay near the spill site for 72 hours.

For more information on the spill, please call the City of San Diego Metropolitan Wastewater Department at 858-292-6403.

For updates on beach closure information please call the 24-hr. hotline at (619) 338-2073. OR <a href="https://www.earth911.org">www.earth911.org</a>, 'Programs' and select San Diego Beach Water Quality.

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